

REMARKS

Claims 6 and 7, and amended claims 1-5 and 8 are in this application.

The Examiner stated that the title is not descriptive and that a new title is required. In response, the title has been revised herein.

Claims 1-4 and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. In explaining this 112 rejection, the Examiner appears to indicate that it is unclear as to what structure or structures described in the present application the "means" in claims 1-4 and 8 refer to.

In response, it is initially submitted that claims 1 and 8 have been amended herein so as to change "a timer means" to "a timer". Additionally, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is believed to describe a structure or structures for the "means" recited in claims 1-4 and 8. As an example, AV controller 21 illustrated in Fig. 1 in conjunction with the appropriate respective processing described in the present application may be considered to be the controlling means of claims 1-4, and the synchronization controlling means of claim 8. As another example, a memory of the AV controller 21 may be considered to be the storage means of claims 1 and 8. Furthermore, reference is made to sheet 17 of the drawings of the present application.

The Examiner noted "the use of the alternative 'or' terminology" in claims 1 and 5.

Claims 1 and 5 have been amended herein so as to delete the term "or".

The Examiner stated that claims 1-4 and 8 "avoid the art of record."

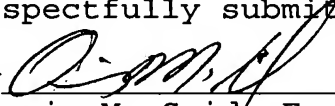
The Examiner also stated that claims 5-7 "are allowed."

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been overcome, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional rejections and/or objections which the Examiner might have.

If there are any charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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